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Help not intended

✓ Maybe the military services, war industries and the Central Intelligence Agency should encourage more student demonstrations against recruiting on college and university campuses.

That suggestion is inspired by an editorial published a few days ago in The Ohio State Lantern, the student newspaper at The Ohio State University. It reported that there is evidence that such demonstrations are helping the recruiters. That certainly must be a "revolting development" in the eyes of the demonstrators.

THE LANTERN reported that a study made by the College Placement Council, a national organization of university placement offices, showed increased student interest in the Dow Chemical Co. and the CIA since demonstrations against them began.

The Lantern commented further:

"By focusing attention on the recruiters, the demonstrators have produced results exactly opposite to what they wanted.

"That's about par for the peace protesters lately. Dissatisfaction in their own ranks and arrests for trespassing in university buildings have plagued Ohio State's demonstrators as frustration has mounted because the administrations of both the nation and the university remain unmoved. And now, to find out that they may have been working toward their own defeat. . .

"Protest, like everything else, is not without its paradoxes."

WE ARE REMINDED of the famous words by Robert Burns: "The best laid schemes o' mice and men gang aft agley." The last three words are frequently translated as "oft' go astray" in modern English.

Most of us learn from experience — often many times — how true those words are. What better place could there be to learn it than on a college or university campus?

After all, students go to college to learn, don't they? Well . . . don't they?